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Summary

Hannibal continues to update his outgoing office message after fleeing Baltimore and even during his incarceration.

Notes

This was originally posted on Twitter after the 2022 rewatch of “… And The Woman Clothed in Sun” revealed that his office phone was still connected.

After he fled Baltimore, Dr.Hannibal Lecter continued to ensure that the outgoing message of his psychiatry practice was regularly updated. Calling the number to hear his inspired words became a rite of passage for young people globally.

Below are a sampling of some of his messages from this period.

Post-Mizumono

“You have reached the office of Dr. Hannibal Lecter. I am out of the office indefinitely following a soon to be renowned kitchen incident. I would refer you to my backup Dr. Alana Bloom but her current survival status is as yet uncertain.”

From Florence

“This is Dr. Hannibal Lecter. I have returned to the city of my youth but, in the company of a harridan, it is an empty homecoming. As Dante wrote, I fear that the straight forward pathway has been lost.”

Post-Surrender

“I’m pleased to announce that I have returned to Baltimore and am once again working closely with the local psychiatric community. Sadly, no dinner parties are planned at this time but I have provided Miss Freddie Lounds a list of favorite recipes for publication. I must warn you that none are vegetarian. Bon Appetit.”

Post-Insanity Verdict Week 1

“Sanguinaccio Dolce is a pudding traditionally made from pig’s blood. I have used many substitutes over the years and have found the blood of a pre-menopausal woman to be the

sweetest.”

Post-Insanity Verdict Christmas season

“The organic food store in Towson has a lovely combination of organically fed but very rude patrons. I often shopped there prior to any holiday gathering.”

Post-Insanity Verdict 2 years later

“Bedelia du Maurer happily accepted my offer of a second hand name, ring, and marriage, never once seeing it for the insult that it was. If you have opportunity to attend a signing of her fantastical memoir, please tell her that I much look forward to our reunion.”

BSHCI, Post-Will reunion

“We speak of dragons and fairies but our hearts beat in synchronized unison. This is what it means to be conjoined.”

Post-Fall, after 1 year of silence

“I am pleased to announce that meat is back on the menu. Clay roasted thigh is all the more savory when the pig is able to join you and your love in the much anticipated ending of your fast.”

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